



# Saint Andrew Parish

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“Take nothing for the journey.”

Mark 6:8

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# Parish Information

## Parish Office Now Open:

The parish office is now open on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday mornings from 9:00am to 12:00 noon**. Parishioners may stop by to make prayer requests, pay Mass stipends, or seek assistance. Please wear masks when entering the office and remain socially distanced. Our staff remains available via our remote office from 8:00am to 8:00pm Monday through Friday and from 8:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday and Sunday.

*If you need to make contact with the parish staff, please call 773-255-3016 and leave a message.*

## Mass Schedule and Current Guidelines:

All are welcome to join us for Mass at the following times:

**Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm, Sunday Morning - 9:00am and 11:00am.**

**COVID MASS Expectations** - Throughout the pandemic, various protocols were instituted for safe participation at Mass. Many of these guidelines have been lifted. Please take note of the following changes and guidelines.

- There is no longer a need to make a reservation and our seating capacity is no longer limited.
- Hand sanitizer will be offered as you enter the church building if you wish. Our safety team will no longer be offering hand sanitizer at communion. Please bring your own sanitizer if you wish to sanitize before receiving communion.
- Seating is still spaced by a row between each pew allowing for social distancing.
- Masks are required unless you are vaccinated.
- Singing by the congregation is permitted, but we have not yet returned hymnals to the pews. ‘

Thank you for your patience as we take steps back to our normal procedures for celebrating Mass.

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## Parish Staff

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# Pastoral Letter

by Kascha Sanor, Pastoral Ministry Assistant



*“Ordinary Time  
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I love the liturgical calendar. It’s one of those aspects of faith that I always thought was a little bookish or nerdy, but it turns out -- I am also a little bookish and nerdy, plus I need a little guidance!

The liturgical calendar offers us Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. It brings us readings and rituals, it invites us so far into scripture and tradition that we as a people of God are able to relive and reenact the birth, crucifixion, and resurrection of Christ. In some ways, we get to embody the stories we hear so often (even if it is buying gifts, dyeing eggs, fasting, and feasting). We are swept away and into the intensity and anticipation. There is a direction and culminating moment for our prayer, worship, and to-do lists.

I suppose I’m reflecting on the liturgical calendar because I’ve been finding myself a little... spiritually lacking lately. Not entirely lost, but aimless and less consistent for certain. Without a liturgical season to guide me, I can’t help but feel like I’m stumbling.

This week, we find ourselves approaching the fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The fifteenth Sunday out of thirty-three Sundays. We’re in the midst of a season that lasts well through Chicago spring, summer, and fall.

So I’m treating this week like a checkpoint. I’ve been praying with my “wandering spirit” the past few days. Where have I felt Spirit? Joy? Desire? What has become a new normal? Shaken me to my core? Required a call to a friend?

Maybe this is the gift of Ordinary Time, an invitation for our faith and spiritual life to encounter our everyday realities. Be it at work, in our families, or on the sidewalk, Ordinary Time is a chance for us to practice what we preach, to embody and discover our deepest convictions -- *daily*. Amos says this week, “I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and also took care of sycamore-fig trees. But the Lord took me from tending the flock and said to me ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

An ordinary day is just as essential to our spiritual life as is any feast day. How do you live the life you believe in? Mary Oliver, poet and a “patron saint” of mine, has a famous line in her poem “The Summer Day” that reads “What will you do with your one wild and precious life?” You know what Mary did in three whole stanzas of that poem? Watched a grasshopper chew. Where was Amos when the Lord called upon him? Working, and tending.

God really is in all things, and Spirit with us in all seasons.



## Young Adult Gatherings Return!

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join the young adults from Saint Benedict and Saint Andrew parishes as we prepare three evenings this summer for “Conversations in the Courtyard. Young adults giving voice to building a more inclusive church.”

Our next conversation will be about the role and influence of women in the church led by Diane Mercadante. Join us on in the courtyard of Saint Benedict Parish, 2214 W. Irving Park Rd on **Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 7:00pm** for our next conversation!



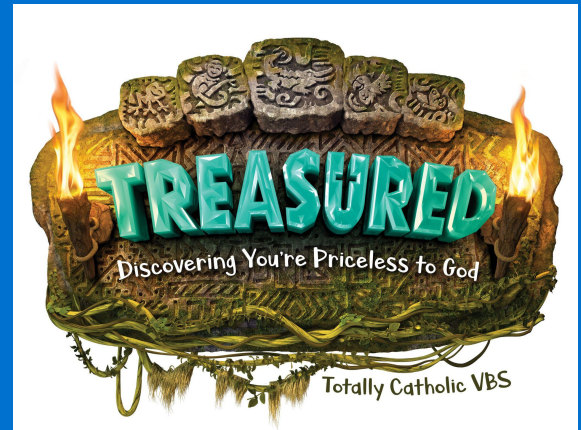
## Vacation Bible School - July 19-23

Vacation Bible School will take place from **Monday, July 19 to Friday, July 23 at 9:00am** for students in Kindergarten through 4th grade.

This year’s program will offer both in-person and virtual opportunities to participate.

This exciting program is developed in partnership with Saint Benedict, Saint Athanasius, Saint Mary, Saint Joan of Arc, Saint Nicholas, and Our Lady of Ransom Parishes.

More details and registration information can be found at <http://standrew.org/vacation-bible-school-2021/>



## Come Broadcast with Us!

Saint Andrew Parish continues to offer live streaming broadcasts of our Masses and special events in the church. That means we are in need of additional volunteer support this ministry. Please volunteer if you have or are willing to learn skills in how to use audio, visual, and live streaming equipment. Comprehensive training will be provided and the schedule to volunteer is flexible.

If interested, please contact David Heimann at [david@standrew.org](mailto:david@standrew.org).



# Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

## Can Ordinary Time be Special?

Ordinary time. It just seems so, well, ordinary!

In church terms, *ordinary time* doesn't mean unimportant or commonplace. Instead, it simply means that the weeks are numbered - the Latin word *ordinalis*, where the term originates, refers to a numbered series. In church terms, use of the term is pretty recent, having been introduced with Vatican II in 1970.

What can we do to make sure that ordinary time isn't just ordinary? Without the excitement of Christmas or the preparations for Easter we may have time for some longer-format projects around the home:

### Focus on the Scriptures

Now is a great time to really focus on the scriptures that we hear at Mass each week. Ordinary time can be a time of growth in learning about and knowing Jesus. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website, [usccb.org](http://usccb.org), is the best online resource for the weekly readings (look for the "Daily Readings" link). Loyola Press offers the Sunday Connection, which provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday readings ([loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com), look for the "Sunday Connection" link).

### Study the Saints

Saints are a great way to show your family how to live a life that shines through a relationship with Jesus...and that makes ordinary time a great time to begin a family tradition of reading the stories of the saints on a regular basis. There are many children's books about the saints, and even some coloring books that feature the lives of saints! Or watch a movie: Fr. James Martin, SJ has penned a list of his top 10 movies about saints (also on [loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com) - use the search box to search for "movies about saints" to find his list)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

### JULY 2021

Sunday <b>11</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Am 7: 12-15</b> <b>Eph 1: 3-14</b> <b>Mk; 6: 7-13</b>  +James Olivares and +Aurora Vinzons
Monday <b>12</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Ex 1: 8-14</b> <b>Mt 10: 34 - 11:1</b>  <b>Our departed Parishioners</b>
Tuesday <b>13</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	<b>Ex 2: 1-15a</b> <b>Mt 11: 20-24</b>  Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday <b>14</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Ex 3: 1-6, 9-12</b> <b>Mt 11: 25-27</b>  <b>+Our departed Parishioners</b>
<b>15</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Ex 3: 13-20</b> <b>Mt 11: 28-30</b>  Our departed Parishioners
Friday <b>16</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Ex 11: 10 - 12:14</b> <b>Mt 12: 1-8</b>  Our departed Parishioners
Sunday <b>18</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Jer 23: 1-6</b> <b>Eph 2: 13-18</b> <b>Mk 6: 30-34</b>  <b>+Gary Lauden and+ Robert Scorzo</b>

For daily readings, please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

We would ask you to keep the following people and intentions in your prayers.

For the health and wellbeing of all who are recovering from the effects of COVID-19 including the ill, the deceased, and those suffering job loss.

That government leaders find the wisdom and strength to lead our country, states, and municipalities to overcome racial discrimination and injustice.

For the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed including +James Olivares and +Aurora Vinzons

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

<b>Enrich – Expand - Grow</b>	
Income	1,753,397
Interest on Income	32,0696
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,785,466</b>
Consulting Operating Expense	180,000
Archdiocesan Contribution	196,800
Church Lighting (Actual)	250,517
Church Lighting (Consultant)	10,480
Church Windows (Actual)	157,120
School Addition (Actual)	17,030
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>811,947</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>973,519</b>

### PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

<b>May, 2021 Offering</b>	
Envelopes Collection	12,038
Automated Giving	25,725
Loose Cash	2,378
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>40,141</b>
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	<b>38,500</b>
<b>EASTER</b>	
Envelopes	9,165
Loose Cash	1,848
Automated Giving	10,172
<b>Total Easter Offertory</b>	<b>21,185</b>

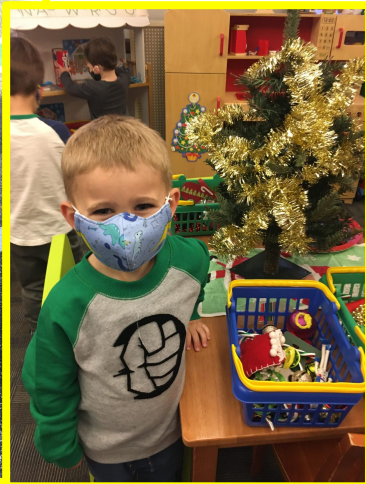


# Saint Andrew School



## Saint Andrew School Introduces Full Day Pre-School for 3 and 4 Year Olds, With Options for Half Day Programs!

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for more information!



## Spirit. Study. Service.